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(C) Danish MFA Head of Department for Security Policy Lone Wisborg responded to reftel demarche November 28 by emphasizing Danish support for building Afghan National Army (ANA) capabilities, including by contributing to an OMLT early next year. Wisborg indicated that Denmark is likely to support broadening the mandate of the NATO ANA Trust Fund to include sustainment costs, but doubted that the Danish government would be in a position to respond positively this year to our contribution request. Such contributions would have to come from the Danish Ministry of Defense budget, Wisborg explained, which is already under pressure due to long deployments in Afghanistan and elsewhere.
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